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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 10, 2003, in the above-identified application, applicant respectfully requests that the examiner reconsider the § 103 rejections of the claims in light of the following observations and arguments. In addition, applicant requests that the claims (claim 18 only) be amended as follows.

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